Adaptation Grants for Privately Owned Homes

The Housing Adaptation Grants for Older People and Disabled People are available to help older people and disabled people living in a privately-owned home. These grants are used to carry out works to make the property more suitable for the older person or disabled person who is a member of the household.

All applications for grant aid under the Housing Adaptation Grants Scheme are assessed based on household means. To be considered eligible for a grant, you must:

- have the grant application approved before the work starts on the home,
- live in the home when the work is completed or plan to live in the home when work is complete,
- have your tax affairs in order,
- show that the Local Property Tax for the home is in order.

Your home can qualify for this grant if it is one of the following:

- privately owned by you,
- you have a right of residence in the house where the work will be done

We recommend that you have a clear service charges account when applying for a Housing Adaptation Grant to ensure the payment of any grant is not affected. If you think that you have outstanding service charges, please contact Waste Section on 01 205 4700.

Housing Adaptation Grant for Disabled People

This grant is for people with a physical, sensory, mental health or intellectual disability. It can be used for works such as, but not limited to:

- level access showers.
- accessible bathrooms,
- access ramps,
- stair lifts.
- extensions.

Your home can qualify for this grant if it is one of the following:

- privately owned (by you or your family),
- rented from a landlord with a current tenancy agreement registered with the Residential Tenancies Board (RTB) and which is dated and signed by the landlord. You must submit written approval of the landlord to make the changes,
- provided by an Approved Housing Body with their agreement,
- a communal residence with written approval of the owner.

Mobility Aids Grant

This grant is for older people and/or disabled people who find it hard to move around their home. It aims to fast track grant aid to cover a variety of works to address mobility issues such as, but not limited to:

- grab rails
- stair lifts,
- · access ramps,

- level access showers,
- other minor works which are required to facilitate the mobility needs of the applicant

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Housing Aid for Older People Grant

This grant is available to assist people aged 66 years or older who are living in poor housing conditions to carry out essential repairs or improvements so that they can continue to live in their own home such as:

- roof repairs,
- electrical re-wiring,
- repair or replace windows and doors
- Repair heating (NB: From January 1st 2025 grants are no longer available for new fossil fuel boilers oil and gas)

Please Note: Due to changes in the guidelines of the scheme following EU Directives, the processing and approval of new fossil fuel boilers after 1st January 2025 is no longer permitted. Grant applications for boilers must have <u>ALL</u> documentation submitted on or before 16th December 2024 in order to be eligible for a new boiler grant. The Installation of second hand boilers by a registered contractor, the replacement of parts of fossil fuel boilers, or other heating repairs will still be carried out under the scheme.